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SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

In order to place the present application in condition for examination on the merits

Applicant submits the following supplemental amendment for entry in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 5, line 3, with the following new paragraph:

One of the proteins revealed to be homologous to a polypeptide encoded by nucleotide sequence 7632-8597 on contig 33 of *S. pneumoniae* (Figure 1) (Seq. ID. No: 1 and SEQ. ID. NO: 2). This ORF was identical to ORF 414 of *S. pneumoniae* in the WIT-system. Details about the WIT system can be found on http://wit.mcs.anl.gov/ and on the website of The Institute for Genomic Research, Rockville USA updated on April 7, 1999.

